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DETECTING AN ARC CONDITION

Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit: Unknown

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

For:

Throughout prosecution of the above-identified patent application and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), where no check is received by the Commissioner, Applicants hereby authorize and request the Commissioner to charge all fees due at any time during the pendency of the above-identified application (or to credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-0285 (Order No. P170-US).

Respectfully submitted,

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GENERAL AUTHORIZATION/PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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